

Remarks

Claims 1-16 are pending and are subject to restriction.

Item 1

Applicant is required to elect an invention from the following groups:

- I. Claims 1-12 and 16, drawn to a composition,
- II. Claim 13, drawn to a detergent formulation,
- III. Claim 14, drawn to a softener composition and
- IV. Claim 15, drawn to a shading process.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-12 and 16.

The Examiner is kindly requested to consider rejoining claims 13-15 upon finding Group I allowable and if claims 13-15 contain all the limitations of the allowed claims.

Item 2

Applicant is also required to elect a disclosed species of the photocatalyst of claim 5, the azo dyestuff of claims 6 and 7 and the triphenylmethane of claim 8.

Applicant hereby elects:

The photocatalyst of formula 1b,

The second azo dyestuff of claim 7 and

The first triphenylmethane of claim 8.

The elected species read on claims 1-5, 7-12 and 16.

Item 3

Applicant submits that this constitutes a complete response to the restriction requirement.

Consideration of the present claims on their merits is respectfully awaited.

Respectfully submitted,



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